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## MEDICAID ALERT

**TO: Dental Providers**

**SUBJECT: Form Update - Handicapping Labio-Lingual Deviation Index (HLD) Assessment**

Effective July 1, 2022, the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) is updating the Handicapping Labio-Lingual Deviation Index (HLD) Assessment form used for documenting the medical necessity of orthodontic services. The form is available on the [DentaQuest web portal](#) or on the [forms section](#) of the [Dental Services provider manual](#) and must be used for dates of service on and after July 1, 2022.

For questions regarding this alert, please contact the DentaQuest Provider Service Center at (888) 307-6553, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

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